



IMPORTANT DATES 2017

November

Thursday 16 th November	2018 Essential Booklist Items Payment Due
Thursday 16 th November	Fluro Fun Fun/Walk Postponed new date to be advised
Friday 17 th November	Year 1 Music Show Payment Due
Friday 17 th November	2018 Prep Transition Session 9:00am – 11:00am
Wednesday 22 nd November	School Council Budget Meeting 7:00pm – 9:00pm
Thursday 23 rd November	Year 5 Immigration Museum Excursion – 5G, 5A, 5Z
Friday 24 th November	Year 5 Immigration Museum Excursion – 5C, 5X, 5S, 5L
Wednesday 29 th November	Year 6 Graduation Dietary Requirement Form Due
Wednesday 29 th November	Year 6 Graduation Payent Due

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hi Everyone

Unfortunately our Fluro Fun Run fundraising activity scheduled for today is postponed as a result of the rain we are receiving. The event will go ahead in the coming weeks and parents will be informed in advance of the date once confirmed. Thank you for your understanding.

Attendance at school

Our school vision is based on students being happy, safe and engaged in an information technology rich learning environment. Where student centred learning occurs and explicit teaching and inquiry-based learning programs are led by professional teaching and learning teams who make a real difference and meet the needs of every student at a local level in a global setting.

We cannot achieve our vision unless students are in school and on time each day to commence their learning, the exception being for genuine illness or appointments. Absenteeism has become a big issue and it's an issue that is not owned exclusively by schools. The wider school community, parents and students need to fully understand the impact of missing many school days.

A key message that needs to be embraced by parents and the wider community is that **'It's Not Okay to be Away'**. The 'fallout' of poor attendance is very real. These students will be at risk of not achieving their potential and therefore limit their life choices. Other real consequences are:

*Social isolation Students may place themselves at risk of harm while absent More likely to leave school early
Students could get too easily involved in socially unacceptable and / or illegal activities
Students will have gaps in their learning of knowledge and basic concepts Students may feel insecure in
the school environment Students may be over-represented in the juvenile justice system
Students may be the victims of bullying and harassment.*

When you consider all the above, schools, parents and the wider community need to work in partnership with each other to ensure students regularly attend school, are on time to commence their learning and enjoy school success and as a consequence more enriched life choices. We can have the best teachers, programs and resources however we can't teach children effectively if they aren't at school. Combine high attendance and effective teaching, you have a much better chance of getting improved outcomes for students. Remember one day absence is one day of missed learning.

An example of school absence data to date in 2017 shows

Absence Type	Number of students	Total Number of attendance days lost
<i>Holidays</i>	455	3375
<i>Parent choice</i>	634	1776
<i>Unexplained absence</i>	609	3315

Kind regards Garry & Staff

From the Welfare Officer

Social Media is a term for the online services that people use to connect with others, share media content and form social networks. Some of the most popular social media sites/apps include:- Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, Snapchat and Musical.ly.

Social Media is becoming a big part of the social life of children and teens, but social media has its risks as well as benefits. Children as young as 6 years old are accessing social media sites or apps. By talking to your child and agreeing on some social media rules, you can help your child get the most out of social media without putting them at risk.

Risks associated with social media are

- Being exposed to inappropriate content like violent or sexual comments or images
- Uploading inappropriate content
- Sharing personal information with strangers such as address, date of birth, phone number
- Cyberbullying

Talking about social media use is the best way to protect your child and ensure they are internet safe.

It's a good idea to explore the social media your child uses. You should check if social media choices are appropriate for their age. Some social media have age restrictions – example, to use Musical.ly account your child needs to be 16 years old.

Set up some guidelines about social media use so your child can use social media responsibly, respectfully and safely.

For further information on social media information please go to: <https://esafety.gov.au/>

*Mrs Turnbull
Primary Welfare Officer*

Lost Property

Please remember to check lost property for school uniforms and non school uniform items. All uncollected items will be donated to charity by Friday 24th November if not collected. Please check that your children's clothing is clearly named so we can return lost items promptly.

Mathletics News

In the last two weeks a total of 154 bronze Mathletics certificates were achieved and 25 silver certificates. Congratulations to the following students for earning gold certificates:

Prep Janavi B, Jaswant P, Nuwanma P,
Aradana S
Year 1 Gurhar S, Rugsy G, Sahej W
Year 2 Tarun G, Vy P, Rabia K, Jasmehar N
Year 3 Charlotte W, Angel S, Hezel V
Year 4 George E
Year 5 Netra P

Don't forget to log into Mathletics at home:

www.mathletics.com

House Points

This week:		Year Total:	
Ruffy	1128	Ruffy	6080
Hudson	3602	Hudson	7982
Lyll	421	Lyll	3589
Donnelly	394	Donnelly	5914

From the Office

CEPS SECOND HAND SCHOOL Uniform SALE

WHEN: Thursday 7th December, 2017

WHERE: Entrance to Sick Bay/
Administration building near room 8

TIME: 3.30pm – 4.00pm

COST: All items \$5.00 (good condition, clean second hand school uniforms)

Cash only

ITEMS STRICTLY LIMITED TO 3 ITEMS PER CUSTOMER. NO EARLY SALES.



2018 Booklists

Don't forget **Final Booklist Payments are due by Thursday 16th November**. If you are experiencing financial difficulty please contact the office to make a payment plan arrangement before the due date.

All full payments received by the due date will go in the draw to win a great prize.

Shining Star Awards for 13th – 17th November 2017



Year	Shining Star	Award	Year	Shining Star	Award
Prep	William J	For his awesome enthusiasm for learning!	Year 3	Leanne S	For your brilliant efforts with your learning and for being a wonderful member of our 3AT!
	Sona G	For trying hard during writing with her spelling.		Swathi S	For demonstrating our school values in everything that she does.
	Maler M	For trying his best with his work.		Jhavarnyce A	For showing great determination to improve her money sharing and division knowledge.
	Jack J	For doing a fantastic recount about going camping and seeing the koala's. Well done Jack.		Jonah W	For a great job Buddy reading with expression and enthusiasm for the Year 3 Online Book Club!
	Cristian H	For gaining more confidence with his writing and producing 5 star work!	Year 4	Daniel L	For his great thinking and contributing to classroom discussions.
	Sammy S	For improved confidence, and practicing his letter and sounds.		Gursimar S	For working well with others and being a respectful member of the Learning Space.
	Johnathan F	For fantastic improvement in his writing.		Sayeda H	For a fantastic book report.
	Nate D	For being a great helper in the classroom		Hanna T	For being an awesome member of the class!
Year 1	Kristina N	For a terrific effort sequencing events in Oral Language this week.	Year 5	Thalia N	For reading for more than 200 nights! Fantastic reading Thalia!
	Dhinuki R	For great focus during our Oral Language session.		Mathew A	For producing some lovely, neat writing pieces, enabling him to receive his 'Pen License'.
	Shereen S	For always being responsible and supportive of others in the Learning Space.		Raeese H	For his fantastic contributions during our Writing vocabulary collection.
	Jasleen G	For a terrific effort at working with his team during the Junior Athletics Carnival.		Cohan M	For a fabulous effort with his 'Magnificent Book Report'.
	Celestyn M	For her enthusiastic participation in Year 1 Athletics morning.	Year 6	Alaha A	For your fantastic job with Free Write Friday creating an interesting and well-structured piece.
	Arthur V	For enthusiastic writing about his guinea pig during free writing. Fantastic effort.		Sophie W	For working hard to display the 5R's in the classroom. Well done and keep it up, Sophie!
	Minaal M	For her hard work on learning her Magic Words.		Tara V R	For being a helpful and caring class member.
	Shaan A	For a fantastic 'Just Dance' with his Year 4 Buddy.		Christos P	For being persistent and trying hard during Maths. Well done Christos!
Year 2	Cooper D	For his fantastic participation on Athletics Day.	Year 3	Ash D	For writing a great introduction to his discussion piece during writing this week. Well done Ash!
	Cerys W	For her fantastic effort with creating her design brief for her Inquiry Learning project! Keep up the great work!		Shabnam K	For doing a fabulous job when planning our Year 6 Graduation for our Maths project this week. Well done!
	Yuhasa W	For her great participation during our Year 2 Athletics Day!		Alex L	For his great efforts at representing CEPS at the Rugby Gala Day.
	Darcy I	For his excellent improvement in Spelling this year.		Blue C	For demonstrating great leadership.
	Manu J	For demonstrating his full potential in his Cold Writing piece. Well done!	Year 4	Roaman A	For showing great sportsmanship and leadership at the Rugby Gala Day.
	Ali H F	For sharing great ideas during group discussions.		Anileese B	For completing a very engaging recount! Great work Ani!
	Weng C	For making a tremendous improvement in reading this term.		Ethan B	For a fantastic effort when sharing his ideas during Socratic Circles. Well done Ethan!
	Ake K	For working really hard and concentrating during our Cold Write. Well done!		Hailey N	For actively contributing to classroom discussions during Socratic Circles. Well done Hailey!
Year 3	Charlotte S	For up levelling her sentences to include a range of punctuation.	Year 5	Menuki F	For creatively articulating her arguments for her debating speeches. Great work, Menuki!
	Olivia T	For her excellent effort while writing a recount during our Cold Write this week.		Jashnoor S	For his contribution and teamwork on designing the Yearbook. Well done, Jashnoor!
	Hamed A	For putting in a great effort into your work this week.		Kyle R	For trying his best during his Cold Write.
	Thomas S	For doing a wonderful job with his weekly homework. Keep it up Thomas!		Chloe B	For her hard work when designing her Mandala.
	Ethan S	For being a considerate friend and always making good choices.			

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Performing Arts Mr Beach	Nuha M 4W	For always doing a great job in Performing Arts. Your effort and enthusiasm is excellent. Keep it up.	Mrs Simmonds	Zachary B 4P	For his great ideas and enthusiasm with his arcade game invention.
Performing Arts Ms Purvis	Nathan T 5C	For always being polite, co operative and a great listener in all Performing Arts lessons.	Mrs Price	Kiarna J 4W	For her excellent teamwork and ball skills in P.E.
PE Mr Carey	Sehath A 6B	Great teamwork and leadership when working in your group to design a game in Phys Ed.	Mrs Warren	Christos P 5G	For working well with other students during group work.
PE Mr Shaw	Simon F 3T	For his outstanding efforts in Bike Ed. Keep up the great work Simon!	Mrs Harding	Aaron V R 3T	For doing a fantastic job in coding and robotics.
PE Miss Edwards	Lyzi R 6W	For showing excellent leadership in the creative games unit.	Mrs Wickramasinghe	Rosemaria K 6A	For always being engaged in all tasks and trying her very best. Keep it up Rose!
ICT Mr Ross	Louisa W 2Z	For her outstanding support to others whilst coding.	Ms Hudson	Sehath A 6B	For making Junior Athletics fun for all. Keep up the great work. Well done!
ICT Ms Brookman	Tequila T 1G	For demonstrating independence and rigour when coding.	Ms Naismith	Shabnam K 5C	For working hard on your response writing.
Visual Arts Ms Lloyd	Namjot S 3S	For his enthusiasm and excellent contributions to our class discussions.	Mrs Hill	Cady F 6D	For showing the 5R's in everything that you do.
Visual Arts Ms Pither	Martin M 4R	For his realistic and detailed drawing of the Sydney Opera House.	Ms Burgess	Brigham W 5S	For your amazing writing talents evidenced in your Free Write story.
Science Ms Singleton	Resara J 6P	For her research and slide show about the formation of Earth and coal.	Ms Harris	Makayla J 5S	For fantastic creativity with your magic potion during Maths. Well done!
Science Ms Pitt	Savannah S 3Z	For always trying her best in all our class activities.	Ms Silva	Dhinuki R 1C	For a wonderful effort with your reading. Well done Dinuki!
EAL	Neeharika S 3S	For an improved effort in her reading and writing. Well Done!	Mrs Beck	Pranav S 1H	For making great choices in the classroom.
Auslan	Violetta Y 3A	For always trying her best during Auslan session. Keep up the good work.	Ms Whitehead	Layla B 4H	For continually having fantastic manners and always being willing to help others. Keep up the great attitude Layla!
Literacy Support Mrs Dunmall	Maia B 1K	For her great use of the 5 finger strategy in her retell of the storyline of PSB read.	Ms Roberts	Harmony D'S 4P	For always being kind and respectful to others.
Literacy Support Mrs Healy	Lete A Prep S	For practising and learning the 'Magic Words'. Well done!	Ms Abblitt	Kai H 2HW	For always trying to do the right thing.
			Ms Heald	Charlotte H 2H	For a great reading session during sustained reading. Well done!
			Mrs O'Riley	Aydin D Prep M	For always participating in classroom discussions, and for trying your hardest in all of your school work.
			Mrs Perera	Seneli A Prep J	For a fantastic creative effort during the Inquiry Learning lesson. Good work!
			Mrs Bhasin	Jaide S 3S	For always being polite and friendly with a smile on her face.



Spring has sprung and so has hayfever

Many students are now suffering from hayfever symptoms. The school is not able to administer non-prescription Hayfever medication. Parents/carers are advised to administer medication at home before children start the school day. Thank you.